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SUBJECT: EIGHTH PERMANENT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON PORTS:
INTERIM REPORT

PERMANENT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON PORTS (PTCP) MEETING
DELAYED ONE DAY DUE NON ARRIVAL SEVERAL DELEGATIONS
ATTRIBUTABLE BRANIFF STRIKE. MEETING SO FAR PROGRESSED
VERY SATISFACTORILY, MOST ACTIONS CONSISTENT WITH U.S.
INTERESTS AND OBJECTIVES. USDEL SUCCESSFUL
STIMULATING PTCP ACTION, INTEREST AND RECOMMENDATIONS
SIGNIFICANTLY FOLLOWING:

1. COUNTRIES THAT HAVE RATIFIED MAR DEL PLATA
CONVENTION PROCEED WITH IMPLEMENTATION WITHOUT WAITING
FOR ITS ENTRY INTO FORCE.

2. MEMBER STATES ADOPT OAS/LAFTA MODEL FORMS FOR
ENTRY AND CLEARANCE OF VESSELS.

3. REDUCE FROM 11 TO 7 NUMBER OF RATIFICATIONS
REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE OF MAR DEL PLATA
CONVENTION.

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4. ESTABLISHMENT OF COOPERATIVE AND TECHNICAL

RELATIONS BETWEEN PTCP AND LATIN AMERICAN DREDGING
ASSOCIATION (ALAD).

5. TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT REQUEST U.S. GOVERNMENT
AGENCIES SUPPLY INFORMATION ON CARDIS FOR POSSIBILITIES
AND IMPLICATIONS OF APPLYING SYSTEM LATIN AMERICA,
ALSO STUDY UNIFORM CODE SYSTEM OF DOCUMENTATION FOR
MARITIME TRANSPORT.

2. DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY USDEL WELL RECEIVED AND PROVIDE
BASIS FOR RESOLUTIONS STRENGTHENING PTCP PROGRAMS
AND SEEKING VIGOROUS SUPPORT FROM OAS.
USDEL SUCCESSFUL OBTAINING SUFFICIENT SUPPORT FROM
MEXICO, PARAGUAY, CHILE AND EL SALVADOR TO TONE DOWN
VENEZUELAN PROPOSAL INJECTING GOVERNMENTAL INTERVENTION
(I.E. GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL AND REGIONAL
USER AND SHIPPER COUNCILS AND NEGOTIATING WITH SHIPPING
CONFERENCES) IN DETERMINING FREIGHT RATES AGAINST PORT
IMPROVEMENTS RESULTING IN NON-SPECIFIC WEAK RESOLUTION.
INCREASED INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASMS BY MEMBERS INDICATIVE
OF DEFINITE POSITIVE ATTITUDES REVITALIZE PTCP. YOUR
GUIDANCE PAPER GREATLY HELPED EXPOUND U.S. POSITIONS.
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